

PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Guojun DAI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1791  
Application No.: 10/562,857 ) Examiner: HOFFMANN, John M.  
Filed: December 29, 2005 ) Confirmation No.: 6423  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
DRILLING PREFORMS FOR )  
HOLEY OPTICAL FIBERS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed November 10, 2009, the period for response to which extends to February 10, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.